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SUBJECT: JOINT ECONOMIC COMMISSION: EDUCATIONAL EVALUATION TEAM

REF: STATE 77126

1. TEAM VISIT OFFICIALLY APPROVED.

2. INFORMATION ON PROPOSED ARRIVAL PASSED TO NEW SAUDI COORDINATOR, DR. AL TURKI, AND DR. ABDUL RAHMAN AL AS SHAYKH. THEY HAVE APPROVED ARRIVAL OF TEAM. THEY AND WE CANNOT, HOWEVER, UNDERSTAND WHY TEAM WISHES TO ARRIVE ON THE LAST WORKING DAY OF THE WEEK. IF TEAM AND/OR TREASURY BELIEVE TEAM WILL NEED TIME TO RECUPERATE FROM FLIGHT, WE SUGGEST THEY WOULD BE BETTER ADVISED TO DO SO IN LONDON OR BEIRUT.

3. DR. AL AS SHAYKH WILL BE OUT OF RIYADH FROM NOW UNTIL MAY 13. ARRANGEMENTS FOR TEAM WILL BE HANDLED BY DR. SAMURRAI SO AS SHAYKH'S ABSENCE SHOULD POSE NO PROBLEM.

4. EMBASSY LIAISON OFFICER IS PUSHING TO OBTAIN ITINERARY, BUT AT THIS POINT WE CAN ONLY SAY THAT IT IS BEING WORKED ON. WE WILL DO OUR BEST TO OVERCOME THE EVER PRESENT SAUDI DESIRE TO "GIVE THEM THEIR ITINERARY WHEN THEY ARRIVE." DELAY

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OF TEAM ARRIVAL UNTIL MAY 17, AFTER DR. AS SHAYKH'S

RETURN, WOULD HELP. IF TEAM PLANS TO SUBMIT A
LIST OF INQUIRIES, MAY 17 WILL BE EARLIEST FEASIBLE
TIME.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE CONFIRM NEW ARRIVAL
TIME FOR TEAM.
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